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Application No. 10/076,822
Amendment in Response to Office Action dated February 10, 2004

Amendments to the Claims:

The present listing of the claims replaces all past listings of the claims:

Listing of claims

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) An adhesive sheet strip for bonding to a substrate and/or an article along a bond plane, said adhesive strip not discoloring a substrate and/or an article to which it is bonded, said adhesive sheet strip being redetachable from a substrate and/or an article to which the adhesive sheet strip is bonded without residue or destruction by stretching the adhesive sheet strip in the bond plane, and said adhesive sheet strip comprising a pressure sensitive adhesive based on styrene block copolymers, wherein the pressure sensitive adhesive comprises an acid-modified and/or acid anhydride-modified elastomer, **which comprises 1 to 2% acid groups based on the overall weight of the elastomer.**

Claim 2. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, wherein the elastomer is based on SEBS and/or SEPS.

Claim 3. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, wherein the elastomer accounts for from 30 to 60% by weight of the pressure sensitive adhesive.

Claim 4. (Canceled).

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Claim 5. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, wherein the pressure sensitive adhesive comprises tackifiers and, optionally, further additives, plasticizing agents and/or fillers.

Claim 6. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, which is provided on one or both sides with the pressure sensitive adhesive.

Claim 7. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, comprising a nonadhesive grip tab.

Claim 8. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, wherein the adhesive sheet strip comprises a pressure sensitive adhesive with a nonadhesive grip tab or the adhesive sheet strip is a laminate.

Claim 9. (Previously Presented) A process for producing an adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, which comprises applying a pressure sensitive adhesive on a stretchable backing.

Claim 10. (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1, wherein the elastomer accounts for from 35 to 55% by weight of the pressure sensitive adhesive.

Claim 11. (Currently Amended) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 1,

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wherein the elastomer comprises from 1 to 2% of incorporated ~~maleic~~ maleic anhydride, based on the overall weight of the elastomer.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented) The adhesive sheet strip as claimed in claim 8, wherein the adhesive sheet strip is a laminate, and the laminate has a stretchable backing.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented) A method of bonding and detaching an adhesive sheet strip to a substrate and/or an article, said method comprising:

- a) providing an adhesive sheet strip according to claim 1;
- b) bonding the adhesive sheet strip to a substrate and/or an article along a bond plane to form a bond between the adhesive sheet strip and the substrate and/or the article; and

detaching the adhesive sheet strip from the substrate and/or the article by stretching the adhesive sheet strip in the direction of the bond plane.

Claim 14. (New) An adhesive sheet strip for bonding to a substrate and/or an article along a bond plane, said adhesive strip not discoloring a substrate and/or an article to which it is bonded, said adhesive sheet strip being redetachable from a substrate and/or an article to which the adhesive sheet strip is bonded without residue or destruction by stretching the adhesive sheet strip in the bond plane, and said adhesive sheet strip comprising a pressure sensitive adhesive

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based on styrene block copolymers, wherein the pressure sensitive adhesive comprises an acid-modified and/or acid anhydride-modified elastomer, which comprises 1 to 2% of incorporated maleic anhydride based on the overall weight of the elastomer.

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CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicants respectfully request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee(s) due in this connection to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEE

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess, to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.